

CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1. A method for providing access to a commercial establishment, said method comprising
5 the steps of:

locating a portable device at a terrestrial position at a point in time;

identifying a commercial establishment in proximity to said portable device at said point
in time based upon said terrestrial position; and

providing a response specific to said commercial establishment.

2. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said locating step comprises receiving a
navigational signal at said portable device.

3. The method as recited in claim 2, wherein said providing a response step comprises the
15 step of paying for goods or services, said goods or services being determined by the
identification of said commercial establishment.

4. The method as recited in claim 2, wherein said providing a response step comprises
paying an admission fee.

5. The method as recited in claim 4, wherein said providing a response step further
comprises generation within said portable device of an access code.

6. The method as recited in claim 5, wherein said portable device is adapted to
25 communicate said access code to a receiver at said commercial establishment.

7. A method for utilizing a transportation service, said method comprising the steps of:
locating a portable device at a terrestrial position;
determining the availability of a transportation service based upon said terrestrial
position; and
5 communicating said terrestrial position to said transportation service.

8. The method as recited in claim 7, wherein said locating step comprises receiving a
navigational signal.

10 9. The method as recited in claim 8, said method further comprising the step of paying a
service charge.

10. The method as recited in claim 9, wherein said service charge comprises a ride fare.